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Sir:

Submitted herewith on Form PTO/SB/08 is a listing of documents known to Applicants in order to comply with Applicants' duty of disclosure pursuant to 37 CFR §1.56.

A copy of each non-U.S. patent document and each non-patent document is being submitted to comply with the provisions of 37 CFR §1.97 and §1.98.

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TIMING OF THE DISCLOSURE

The listed documents are being submitted in compliance with 37 CFR §1.97(b), before the mailing of a first Office action after the filing of a Request for Continued Examination under §1.114.

RELEVANCE OF EACH DOCUMENT

Document A1 is a granted patent which issued from a co-pending application previously made of record.

Document A2 was cited during prosecution of a co-pending European application. A copy of the European Search Report is submitted as Document A3.

The other listed documents are Office Actions issued in, and references cited in, copending applications previously made of record.

Applicants respectfully request that each listed document be considered by the Examiner and be made of record in the present application and that an initialed copy of Form PTO/SB/08 be returned in accordance with MPEP §609.

Although Applicants believe that no fee is required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be due to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Respectfully submitted,

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